What is claimed is:

1. A device for seizing a flat material on a transporting surface comprising:

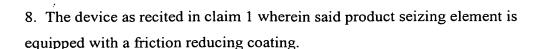
a first cylinder having a surface and having knife assemblies assigned to the surface:

a paper-conducting cylinder having an outer circumference and supporting a flat material on the outer circumference; and

a biased product seizing element assigned to the surface, the biased product seizing element adopting an engaging position upon cooperation with said flat material received on the outer circumference.

- 2. The device as recited in claim 1 wherein said product seizing element in the engaging position punctually engages on a leading edge of a web of material.
- 3. The device as recited in claim 1 wherein said product seizing element is located extending over the width of the surface of the first cylinder.
- 4. The device as recited in claim 1 wherein said product seizing element is biased by a pretensioning element.
- 5. The device as recited in claim 1 wherein said product seizing element is mounted in an inclined orientation with respect to one of the knife assemblies.
- 6. The device as recited in claim 1 wherein said product seizing element is received in a respective knife box mounted in a periphery of said first cylinder.
- 7. The device as recited in claim 1 wherein said product seizing element comprises rounded head portions.





- 9. The device as recited in claim 1 wherein said product seizing element in the engaged position seizes a respective leading edge adjacent to the impact zone of said knife assemblies.
- 10. The device as recited in claim 1 wherein the product seizing element is biased through a pressure source.

11. A paper conducting assembly in a folder apparatus, comprising:

a first cylinder having a circumference and knife assemblies assigned to the circumference;

a paper conducting cylinder having an outer circumference and supporting a flat material on the outer circumference; and

a biased product seizing element assigned to the circumference of said first cylinder adopting an engaging position upon cooperation with said flat material received on said outer circumference.

12. A pinless folder apparatus for processing a flat material comprising:

a first cylinder having a circumference and having knife assemblies assigned to the circumference;

a paper conducting cylinder having an outer circumference and supporting a flat material on the outer circumference;

a biased product seizing element assigned to the outer circumference; and

a biased seizing element assigned to the circumference of the first cylinder adopting an engaging position upon cooperation with said flat material received on said outer circumference.

13. A method for seizing of flat material on different supporting surfaces comprising the steps of:

supporting a leading edge of a web of material on a supporting surface; and

having a product seizing element adopt a first disengaged position upon entry of the web of material in a cutting area.

14. The method as recited in claim 13, wherein said product seizing element adopts a respective engaging position on contact of said product seizing element with said leading edge of said web of material upon said cutting area.

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15. The method as recited in claim 13 wherein said product seizing element adopts a second disengaged position after said product seizing element has released the respective leading edge of said web of material upon seizing of said newly created leading edge by a gripper element.